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1. EXXON/ESSO ATTORNEY FRANK WANG OF LEE AND LI HAS INFORMED US THAT HIS INVESTIGATIONS HAVE INDICATED NO COUNTERFEIT GAS REGULATORS BEARING ESSO NAME NOW BEING MANUFACTURED IN TAIWAN. EMBASSY HAS COPY OF A LETTER DATED MARCH 17, 1977, FROM FRANK WANG TO VINCENT F. BICK, JR., STATING QUOTE WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY COUNTERFEIT PRODUCTS BEARING YOUR ESSO OR ESSO OVAL TRADEMARK BEING MADE IN TAIWAN. WE ARE CLOSING OUR FILES UNQUOTE. WANG STATES FURTHER THAT AS A RESULT OF LEE AND LI DEMAND TO THE COUNTERFEITER, NO COUNTERFEIT GAS REGULATORS BEARING KOSANGAS MARK NOW BEING MADE IN TAIWAN.

2. ACCORDING TO WANG, FORMER COUNTERFEITER IS NOW SEEKING TO REGISTER A TRADEMARK SIMILAR TO KOSANGAS WITH GROC BUREAU OF STANDARDS. LEE AND LI ARE TRYING TO BLOCK THIS EFFORT THROUGH ESTABLISHED LEGAL PROCEDURES.

3. THE EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THIS MATTER CLOSELY IN COOPERATION WITH LEE AND LI AND GROC UNTIL PROBLEM IS RESOLVED.

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